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> Honorable James H. Welsh Commissioner of Conservation State of Louisiana Post Office Box 44275 Baton Rouge, Louisiana 70804-4275

> > Re: APPLICATION FOR PUBLIC HEARING

TP-1 Sand, Reservoir A, LITTLE TEMPLE FIELD, Lafourche and Jefferson Parishes, Louisiana.

Dear Sir:

VINTAGE PETROLEUM, INC. ("Applicant"), hereby respectfully applies for a public hearing to consider evidence relative to the issuance of an Order pertaining to the following matters relating to the TP-1 Sand, Reservoir A, in the Little Temple Field, Lafourche and Jefferson Parishes, Louisiana:

- 1. To revise the reservoirwide unit designated LTE TP-1 RA SU, established for the TP-1 Sand, Reservoir A, by Office of Conservation Order No. 475-D-1, effective November 4, 1969, and previously revised by Supplement to Office of Conservation Order No. 475-D-1, effective July 13, 1971, said reservoirwide unit being shown on the attached plat, by redefining the TP-1 Sand, Reservoir A, as that interval appearing between the depths of 10,610 feet and 10,668 feet (electrical log measurements) in the Vintage Petroleum, Inc. (formerly Exxon Corporation)--W. A. Jones et al. No. 8 Well located in Section 30, Township 17 South, Range 23 East, Lafourche Parish, Louisiana.
- 2. To approve revised Tract Participations Percentages for the reservoirwide unit based on the revised definition set forth above and on the additional geological and engineering data obtained subsequent to the effective date of Supplement to Office of Conservation Order No. 475-D-1, such revised percentages being shown on the Revised Tract Participation exhibit attached hereto.
 - 3. To consider such other matters as may be pertinent.

The TP-1 Sand, Reservoir A, in Little Temple Field, Lafourche and Jefferson Parishes, Louisiana, was previously defined in Office of Conservation Order No. 475-1, effective February 1, 1960.

In accordance with Section 11.1 of the Unit Agreement approved and adopted by Office of Conservation Order No. 475-D-1, effective November 4, 1969, Applicant will establish at the hearing held herein that seventy-five percent (75%) of the Royalty Interest and seventy-five percent (75%) of the Working Interest (as those terms are defined in the Unit Agreement) have approved the proposals set forth above.

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Pertinent data concerning this application is available for inspection at the offices of Leon E. Comeaux & Associates, 305 La Rue France, Lafayette, Louisiana 70505. Any person wishing to inspect such data should call Mr. Bill McAlister at (337) 233-9839 during normal business hours in order to arrange a date and time for such inspection. A copy of any such pertinent data which is not otherwise available from the records of the Louisiana Office of Conservation can be obtained from Applicant at the expense of the requesting party.

By letter dated August 28, 2003, Applicant gave notice, in accordance with the Revised Rules of Procedure, of its intention to apply for a public hearing concerning these proposals and set September 18, 2003, as the tentative date for the pre-application conference. No request for the pre-application conference was received within ten (10) days after the date of said letter; accordingly, no pre-application conference was held.

Pursuant to the Revised Rules of Procedure, Applicant has made a reasonable effort to obtain the names and addresses of all Interested Owners, Represented Parties and Interested Parties to whom notice of this application is being sent and has attached hereto a list of the names and addresses of such parties. A copy of the unit plat, and of the exhibit reflecting the Revised Tract Participations, is enclosed herewith, and a copy of this letter and of each of the two enclosures is being sent to the District Manager of the Lafayette District of the Office of Conservation and to each of the Interested Owners, Represented Parties and Interested Parties as shown on the attached list.

Applicant will provide for posting of a copy of the Legal Notice of this hearing, and of the two enclosures, at a prominent place in the area affected and will cause publication of the Legal Notice in a newspaper published in the general area of Little Temple Field, all in accordance with the Revised Rules of Procedure. Furthermore, Applicant will mail a copy of the Legal Notice to all Interested Owners, Represented Parties and Interested Parties promptly upon receipt of the Legal Notice from the Commissioner.

Finally, enclosed herewith is our check payable to the Office of Conservation covering the application fee.

Tours for unity

David L. Smelley

Attorney for Vintage Petroleum, Inc.

DLS:dp Enclosures

cc: Mr. Richard Hudson (w/encls.)

Mr. Dwayne Allen (w/encls.)

Mr. Bill McAlister (w/encls.)

Mr. Frank Cormier (w/encls.)

Interested Owners, Represented Parties and Interested

Parties (w/plat & Revised Tract Participation only)

